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WAR OF INDEPENDENCE

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BEGINNING THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22nd, 1912 (WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY)

VALUABLE RELICS AND SOUVENIRS

OF

THE MARQUIS DE LAFAYETTE

CHIEFLY CONNECTED WITH THE WAR OF INDEPENDENCE

UNRESTRICTED PUBLIC SALE

BY ORDER OF GEDGE, FISKE & GEDGE, ATTORNEYS HASTINGS HOUSE, LONDON

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Beginning at 3 o'clock

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CONDITIONS OF SALE

1. The highest bidder to be the Buyer, and if any dispute arises between two or more Bidders, the Lot so in dispute shall be immediately put up again and re-sold.

2. The Auctioneer reserves the right to reject any bid which is merely a nominal or fractional advance, and therefore, in his judgment,

likely to affect the Sale injuriously.

3. The Purchasers to give their names and addresses, and to pay down a each deposit, or the whole of the Purchase-money, if required, in default of which the Lot or Lots so purchased to be immediately put

np again and re-sold.

4. The Lots to be taken away at the Buyer's Expense and Risk within twenty-four hours from the conclusion of the Sale, unless otherwise specified by the Auctioneer or Managers previous to or at the time of Sale, and the remainder of the Purchase-money to be absolutely paid, or otherwise settled for to the satisfaction of the Auctioneer, on or before delivery; in default of which the undersigned will not hold themselves responsible if the lots be lost, stolen, damaged, or destroyed, but they will be left at the sole risk of the purchaser.

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during the Sale.

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THE AMERICAN ART ASSOCIATION, MANAGERS. THOMAS E. KIRBY, AUCTIONEER.



DECLARATION

RX

THE MARQUIS DE LAFAYETTE.

- I, THE MARQUIS PAUL MARIE RENE GASTON DE POURCET DE SAHUNE DUMOTTIER DE LAFAYETTE, of 18^{bis} Rue Demours, Paris, and of the Chateau de Chavaniae Lafayette par St. Georges de'Aurrae, Haut Loire, in the Republic of France, do solemnly and sincerely declare as follows:—
- 1. I am a descendant in the female line of the General Marquis de Lafayette who died in the year 1834, and who was engaged in the War of Independence in America. My father was the Baron de Sahune, and on or about the 26th day of February, 1892, I was permitted by my Government to assume the name of "de Lafayette."
- 2. I am the owner of a collection of Relics and Valuables connected with my Ancestor, the said General Marquis de Lafayette, and with his campaign in America, and a List of such Articles and Valuables is set out in the Schedule hereto. These Relics and Valuables were bequeathed to me under the Will of my Uncle, Dumottier de Lafayette, and which Will is dated the 22nd day of January, 1888. I am the same person as the Testator's Nephew, Gaston de Sahune, named in the said Will.
- 3. The said Articles mentioned in the Schedule hereto are, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, the genuine and original Articles which they purport to be, and, as far as I am aware, there are no duplicates or replicas of any of them in existence.

And I make this solemn Declaration conscientiously, believing

the same to be true, and by virtue of the Statutory Declarations Act, 1835.

THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED To:

- 1. Monumental Vase (silver gilt), by Fauconnier, given by France to Lafayette in 1830. A unique specimen, finely chased and engraved. Height, 1m. 15 x 0-5.7. Weight, 70 kilog. The 4 bas-reliefs which decorate the pedestal relate the life of Lafayette.
- 2. Two Small Guns, from locks from the demolition of the Bastile.
- 3. Bust of General Washington, in White Marble, by F. L. J. Pilon, 1781. From General Lafayette's Study in the Chateau de Lagrange. Given to Lafayette by the City of Paris in 1781.
- 4. Gold Frame containing a series of medallions on which are engraved the names of the heirs of Washington, viz.: Edmund Rogers, Agnes Rogers, Angela Brit, Peter and P. Lewis. Given by Washington to Lafayette.
- 5. Bamboo walking stick, with silver head and the inscription: "From Washington's Grave, Feb. 22nd, 1818. D. P."
- 6. Rush walking stick, with ebony handle, given to General Lafayette by Benjamin Franklin. This stick was constantly carried by Franklin. In the middle is a silver plate with the initials B. F.
- 7. Free Mason's diploma, conferred upon General Lafayette by the lodges of the United States. Member of the 33rd Degree. Dated, April 14th, 1832. Large infolio on parchment.
- 8. Piece of the Frigate "The Alliance," on which Lafayette crossed the Atlantic twice (American warship). It was given to Lafayette at Germantown by John Watson, June 20th, 1825.
- 9. Silver Box containing the map of the State of South Carolina, by John Wilson, 1882. Given to Lafayette by Richard J. Manning, then Governor of North Carolina, March, 1825.

- 10. Silhouette portraits of Indian Chiefs, offered to Lafayette on the oceasion of his visit to the Indian Agency, 1825.
- 11. Sugar basin of porcelain, with the Arms of the United States. From a service specially made for Washington.
- 12. Branch of Cypress, cut by Lafayette on Washington's grave at Mount Vernon, May 24th, 1821.
- 13. Miniature portrait of M. Francis Huger, signed: Frazer. This portrait is surrounded by a gold frame decorated with a rose pattern and ornamented in excellent taste, and eneased in a massive gold box. It was given to Lafayette by the City of Charleston on the 15th of March, 1825, on the occasion of the fetes in his honor, at which Huger assisted.
- 14. Sword given to General Lafayette. Bearing on one side of the blade the inscription, "Honour to General Lafayette," and on the other, "Charte of Liberty."
 - 15. Autograph letter from Washington to Lafayette.
- 16. Autograph letter from General Lafayette to Washington, Oct. 14th, 1777.
- 17. Ten autograph letters from President James Monroe to General Lafayette, from 1815 to 1831.
- 18. Ten letters from President John Quiney Adams to General Lafayette, from 1814 to 1833.
- 19. Farewell letter from President John Quincy Adams to Lafayette, on the latter's leaving America for the last time, in 1825. Four in quarto pages.
- 20. Five autograph letters from President Jefferson to Lafayette, from 1816 to 1821.
 - 21. Autograph letter from General Jackson to Lafayette.
- 22. Four autograph letters from President James Madison to General Lafayette.

- 23. Seven letters from H. Clay to General Lafayette.
- 24. Autograph letter from M. de Vergennes, Minister of Foreign Affairs under Louis XVI, to General Lafayette, Versailles, January 23rd, 1782. Two in quarto pages.
- 25. Autograph letter from the Comte d'Estsing to Lafayette, Cadiz, March 11th, 1783. Two in quarto pages.
- 26. Letter, partly autograph, from the Comte de Rochambeau to General Lafayette, Newport, July 16th, 1780.
- 27. Small childish drawings, made by Washington's nephew and niece, Edmund and Eliza Rogers, and given to General Lafayette with a dedication.
- 28. Plan of the battle field of Gloucester (Virginia campaign), Lafayette against Lord Cornwallis, before Philadelphia, November 26th, 1777. Topographical drawing in water colour, signed: Major Capitaine, A. D. C. to General Lafayette.
- 29. Plan of retreat of Barren Hill, in Pennsylvania, where General Lafayette was surrounded by the English army, commanded by Generals Howe, Clinton and Grant, May 28th, 1778. Topographical drawing in water colour, signed: Major Capitaine, A. D. C. to General Lafayette.
- 30. Plan of the engagement at Monmouth, in which General Washington commanded the American Army and General Clinton the English Army, June 28th, 1778. Topographical drawing in water colour, signed: Capitaine, A. D. C. to General Lafayette.
- 31. Plan of Rhode Island. The different operations of the French and American Fleets, commanded by Major General Sullivan, against the English forces on land and sea, from the 9th August to the 31st of the same month, 1778. Topographical drawing in water colour, signed: Major Capitaine, A. D. C. to General Lafayette.

- 32. Map of the positions occupied by the American Troops on the 30th August, 1778, after their retreat. Congress very particularly congratulated Lafayette, who had returned from Boston to command the rear guard. Topographical drawing in water colour, signed: Major Capitaine, A. D. C. to General Lafayette.
 - 33. Gold Louis XIV Watch, worn by Lafayette.

(Signed) DE LAFAYETTE.

Declared at Paris, this 26 June, 1905.

A. P. Inglis,

Consul General.



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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29TH, 1912

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Note.—The managers reserve the right of offering the entire collection of objects herein described as one lot.

No. 1

MONUMENTAL VASE (silver gilt)

By Fauconnier, given by the people of France to Lafayette in 1830. This vase was designed by Fauconnier, aided by the most distinguished French artists of the day. It is only necessary to mention the sculptor, Fauconnier, and the engravers, Mulerat and Vechte. Ferdinand de Lastyrie, in his work "Histoire de L'Orfevrerie," calls it "A piece of plate which can really be considered as the most remarkable left to us by the first third of the Century."

The Vase consists of a cup and pedestal four feet high. The handles are shaped like vine branches supported by two lions' heads bearing on the border of the shouldering. On the sides of the Vase there are two winged figures, representing fine arts and industry, holding a scroll, on which is the following inscription:—

"France to General Lafayette."

On the other side the date, 1830, surrounded by a halo. The neck of the Vase is surrounded by a Civic Crown in oak and laurel leaves. The base is adorned with plants and flowers of America.

The pedestal is square, with bevelled corners, and adorned with allegorical figures and bassi-relievi, representing episodes in the life of General Lafayette.

The four allegorical figures are:—

- 1.—Liberty: represented by the figure of a young woman with the Phrygian cap, holding in one hand the national flag, and in the other the sword to defend it, and trampling on broken links of chain.
- 2.—Justice: represented by a woman with stern features, wearing the helmet of Minerva, in a meditating attitude.
- 3.—Strength: represented by a woman in all the vigor of life, slightly draped, and leaning on a bundle of rods to show that she belongs to the Union.
- 4.—EQUALITY, OR Law: represented by a young woman holding a level, symbol of equality, and in the other hand the tables of the law.



MONUMENTAL SILVER GILT VASE

Given by the People of France to General Lafayette in 1830



THE FOUR BASSI-RELIEVI REPRESENT:

1.—Surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown. This plaque represents the English General—hat in hand—handing his sword to Washington, in the presence of Generals Rochambeau and Lafayette and the staffs of the allied troops. An American officer is helping to lift a wounded soldier, who appears oblivious of his pain, in seeing the triumph of his Fatherland.



2.—Federation of 1790, showing General Lafayette on the altar of the Fatherland taking the civic oath. He is erect, bareheaded, in the uniform of a commander of the National Guard, holding in his left hand his sword, which he presses to his heart, and with his right hand leaning on the oath to which he has just sworn. The Bishop of Autin, in his sacerdotal robes, surrounded by the clergy, spreads his hands on the Bible lying open on the foot of the cross.



3.—General Lafayette Presenting the Duc d'Orleans, Lieutenant-General of the Kingdom, to the people. This represents General Lafayette shaking the hand of the Duc d'Orleans with effusion on the steps of the Hotel de Ville. An officer is holding the tricolor flag over them. In the background are represented the National Guards, combatants of July, wounded soldiers and citizens. A child standing on the basis of one of the columns of the Hotel de Ville is waving the national flag.



4.—The Distribution of the Colours to the Paris National. Guard, on the 29th August, 1830. The basso-relievo represents the King and Lafayette on the estrade. The King is upholding the national flag and receiving the oaths of the Chiefs of Legions. Lafayette is handing to a Colonel of a Legion a flag, which he presses to his heart. The King and Lafayette are surrounded by generals and officers holding unfurled colours, and by wounded soldiers.



No. 2

BUST OF GEORGE WASHINGTON

In white marble, by F. L. J. Pilon, 1781. Upon the base is the motto: "Ne quid detrimenti capiat res publica." From General Lafayette's study in the Chateau de Lagrange. Given to Lafayette by the City of Paris, 1781.

This Bust was exhibited by the French Government at the Chicago International Exhibition, in 1893 (see pages 9, 10 and 11, of the French Government Catalogue).

GOLD FRAMES

Containing a series of Ivory and Gold Medallions on which are engraved the names of the heirs of Washington, viz., Edmund Rogers, Agnes Rogers, Angela Nelly Brit, Peter and P. Lewis. These Medallions were given by Washington to Gen. Lafayette.

No. 4

BRANCH OF CYPRESS

Cut by Lafayette on Washington's grave, at Mount Vernon, May 24th, 1821.

No. 5

BAMBOO WALKING STICK

With silver head, and the inscription, "From Washington's Grave, Feb. 22, 1818, D.P."

No. 6

WHITE PORCELAIN SUGAR-BASIN

Decorated with the Arms of the Thirteen States forming the United States of America, and with the monogram "M.W." and the motto "Decus et tutamen ab illo." From a service specially made for Washington, and presented to Lafayette by Washington's heirs.

SILVER BOX

Containing a map of the State of South Carolina, by John Wilson, 1822. On the Box is the following inscription:—

Presented by
Richard J. Manning
Governor of South Carolina
in the name of the State

to

General Lafayette whilst at Columbus in March, 1825.

In tracing your route through our territory every inhabited spot will recall to your memory the devotion and affection of a grateful people.

Signé: L^s Boudo fecit, Charleston

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MINIATURE PORTRAIT OF M. FRANCIS HUGER

Signed "Frazer." This portrait is surrounded by a gold frame, decorated with a rose pattern and ornamented in excellent taste, and encased in a massive gold box. It was given to General Lafayette by the City of Charleston on the occasion of the fetes in his honor, at which Huger assisted, on the 15th of March, 1825. It bears on the back the following inscription upon a gold plate:—

Francis K. Huger
presented to
General Lafayette
by the
City of Charleston
through
Samuel Prioleau
Intendant
1825.

Made by Fletcher and Gardiner Phila.

SILHOUETTE PORTRAITS OF INDIAN CHIEFS

Offered to Lafayette on the occasion of his visit to the Indian Agency in 1825.

No. 11

PIECE OF THE FRIGATE "THE ALLIANCE"

On which American warship Lafayette twice crossed the Atlantic. It was given to Lafayette at Germantown by John Watson, June 20th, 1825.

No. 12

FREE MASON'S DIPLOMA

Conferred on General Lafayette by the Lodges of the United States. The following is the text of the Diploma:—

Ad Universi Terrarum Orbis summi architecti gloriam.

United Supreme Council of the 33rd Degree for the Western Hemisphere.

DEUS MEUMQUE JUS. ORDO AB CHAO.

From the East of the World, and of the United Supreme Council's for the Western Hemisphere, under the Celestial Canopy, at the centrical and vertical point of the L... Im. ... 13s. ... E... L... from Washington City.

We the undersigned most Pf . . . Sov . . . Grand Inspectors general 33rd and last degree of the ancient and accepted Scottisch Rite Sup . . . Chiefs of ancient and modern Free Masonry composing the aforesaid United Supreme Council of the 33rd deg . . . for the Western Hemisphere. To our most illustrious and most beloved Brethren the Sov . . . Grand Inspector's General 33rd and last deg . . . of the ancient and accepted Scottisch Rite composing the Sup . . . Council of France sitting at the Orient of Paris.

To our illustrious Most Valiant Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret, Knights of K... H... Illustrious Princes and Knights, grand Ineffable and Sublime Masons of all degrees, ancient and

modern over the surface of the two Hemispheres.—And to those whom these letters of credence shall come to

PURITY. UNION. TOLERANCE. HEALTH. STABILITY. POWER.

Know Ye, that our virtuous most illustrious and highly beloved Brother

GENERAL LAFAYETTE

(Gilbert Motier)

Native of France Sov...G...Inspector General of the 33rd deg...of our Sublime Rite and a native member of our United Sup...Coun...as having been a member of the former Sup...Coun...for the United States of America, their territories and dependencies, and maintained on our list, is by these presents, constituted and appointed the Grand Representative of our United Sup...Coun...for the Western Hemisphere, and of all its subordinate sections of all degrees, with power to delegate the same to whomsoever he may

think proper, in and near the Sup ... Coun ... for France, of the most Pf ... Sov ... Gr ... Inspectors General 33rd and last deg ... of the ancient and accepted Scottisch Rite, sitting at the Orient of Paris, also in and near all their subordinate sections from the first to the highest degree; we therefore request all our Illustrious Brethren, and particularly those of the Sup ... Coun ... of France to receive and acknowledge our said illustrious and highly beloved Brother

GENERAL LAFAYETTE,

or his substitute, as our grand representative; to pay all full credit, to all and everything he may say or do in our name, a behalf by virtue of these presents, promising to acknowledge the same as our act and deed; and to render to him all the honours which are due to his high qualities. We further request the Sup . . . Coun. . . of France to cause these presents to be recorded in their Golden Book and in all places it shall deem it regular and proper. We solemnly procate to reciprocate the attention.

Dated, 14th April, 1832.

Two SMALL GUNS

Cast from locks from the demolition of the Bastille.

No. 16

SWORD GIVEN TO GENERAL LAFAYETTE

In 1830 by the City of Paris, and bearing on one side of the blade the inscription "Honeur au General Lafayette," and on the other, "Charte de Liberte."

No. 17

SMALL CHILDISH DRAWINGS

Made by Washington's nephew and niece, Edmund and Eliza Rogers, and given to General Lafayette when he paid his last visit to Mount Vernon.

No. 18

GOLD LOUIS XIV WATCH

Worn by Lafayette. It formerly belong to his mother, the Marquise de Lafayette, née Mdlle, de la Rivière.

To the mang. o'le lay Fayette - Pares.

my dear Marque your Kind letter of the 12 4 of January 4; as your letters always are, extremely acceptable to me. By I some chance its arrival had been retarded to this line. Cons ce our of your jouendly supercluse for me, and realising the Enormous burd in of mutili burney most which you was opprop a , I fell so solicatede our stat you should proceed de really forward & Sayjudy effect your great undertakings Dow much, how sincerely am I rejoiced, my dear Marquis; to find, not things are aparting is favorable an aspect in France! Be aprired 122 you always have my best and most · and sur his for your inclus; and not, if I have not to on bled you werk letter of late, it was because I had nothing wheer it was very epential to communicate, and because Ithrew how must better grow time was employed non in answering letters merely of a private nature.

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No. 19

AUTOGRAPH LETTER FROM GENERAL WASHING-TON TO GENERAL LAFAYETTE

Dated 3rd June, 1790.
(See the fac-simile reproduction.)

now has their united ander the General Government all the Vlates of the original Congederacy. Virmont we hope with soon come withen the fale of the union. Two new states exert and or the immediate direction of the general Government, viz that at the head of which is General the clair, and that which comet of the territory tately certify the Vlate of north Carolini.

operation. Although some thorny question other remain In to be hope not the willow is more common in me national Legislature with disjust of none primersly. A tunding Jyp im is one of the subject which occasions most anxiety & herplexity. Yer our revenue have been considerably more producture nan is was inagined stey would be. In the last year, the plantiful orops and greet will of grain two vertly sugmented our remetaries. The rate of exchange is also minum in our favor. Importations of European goods have been uncommonly of imme, and me duties hay able into Me hushe Treasury proportionary so our tracke to the East Indie Hourshis - The projets to individuals are to con steawable as to ind me more persons to engage in it continually A lingle repet bust arrived in mi port pays 30.000 dollars to you ornment. In o repels fetted our for me for brade to the North west Coast of America- han vucceeded nell - The whole outfith of repuls + cargoes cost our your one is returning home Smerice, and they have reported 100.000 declars of their hop its in china. I mention that to then the Spirit of enterprise the prevails. I have and trust our commerce with the mest unbia vilands belonging to deferent nation (which is at free and of my agreat Consequence) with the placed upon a beller footeng. In the people of the Country are sensite of the previous conduct of the previous conduct of the french nation, I can with greez valification, grie it as my obtained opinion that the most brundly duiper throng march on our 1200 the water lowerth that nation.

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George Washing In

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My dear general

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No. 20

AUTOGRAPH LETTER FROM GENERAL LAFAYETTE TO WASHINGTON

Dated October 14th, 1777. This letter was the first written by Lafayette to Washington, and was returned to Lafayette by the family of Washington after the death of the latter. (See the facsimile reproduction.)

process me the greatest happiness.

five me have, bear general, to preat to you about any own befriend with all the Confidence of a low, of a friend at you favoured me with those two to precious titles my ouput, me afection for you, autions to my own heart that of deliver them on that lide at south as possible-line our last great conversation , would not tellarly thing to your encelledy, for my taking a lication of the army - you where in too important occupations to be districted - for the longraps he was in a great hung, and in ruch a time I take my only ngit of righing, I forget the other now that the honds longers is settled quiete, and making promotions, that some changements are ready to happen in the division, and that I endersund my felt the 11 typember to be acquainted with a part of the army and Known by them, Noise me, bear yeneral, for what I am to do - it is not in my character to examine if the are had, if they can have mor some obligations to me, gam not wind to till what s am, I want thake no more any polition to longers recaule of lan hour advices refule, but not ask from them, therefore, dear general, I'l conduct myself by your consist. Consider, if you plate, that europe and particularly wand is looking upon one - that I want to do some thing by suylest, and justify that love of your which i left be known to the world in making that lainfier which have agreed to surprising, tome they to buich do not you think that this revent is right? in the begining of refuled a division because I was diffident of my being able to conduct it without Knowing the character of the men Who would be under me now that I am better acquainted no difficulty come from one Therefore I am ready to do all what your enallary will think proper- you know I

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If the directly - g there only to know your opinion.

among the officer who came on head of my this, this whom longer to did pay the lets organ is the very same whom I recommended as the most able and repretable man and my bet priend he was coming only for me if g was to be at the head of a division and your excellency would be matter of it, far g am told that the phens gives his dismission I g can not help to till you that a division of originiums as they are, principally with

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TEN AUTOGRAPH LETTERS FROM PRESIDENT JAMES MONROE

To, or with regard to, General Lafayette, dated between 1815 and 1831. The following is a copy of one of these letters, dated the 8th February, 1824:—

Dear Sir,

I have now the pleasure to forward to you a letter to General Lafayette, with a copy of the Resolution passed by Congress inviting to this country, and offering for his conveyance and that of his family, a frigate whenever he may be disposed to accept the invitation. I expected to have been able to forward to you, letters to the friends mentioned in mine, of yesterday, by this mail, but must postpone it until to-morrow. I must therefore request, even should you be prepared to sail, that you will wait the arrival of another mail.

With sincere regard, Yours

JAMES MONROE.

Monroe, James

1 page, 4to. Washington, Oct. 10, 1815. To General Lafayette. Introducing Mr. Gray of Boston.

No. 23

Monroe, James

2 pages, 4to. Washington, Mch. 16, 1821. To General Lafayette. Introducing "Dr. Caldwell, professor of the institutes of medicine, in a very respectable and rising university." Speaks of the prosperity of the country, success of government, etc.

No. 24

Monroe, James

6 pages, 4to. Oak Hill, May 2, 1829. To General Lafayette. Long and interesting letter; refers to their having both been at Brandywine.

No. 25

Monroe, James

2 pages, 4to. Oak Hill, Jne. 22, 1829. To General Lafayette. Referring to Mr. Rives, the American Minister, and his wife.

No. 26

Monroe, James

2 pages, 4to. New York, Nov. 20, 1830. To General Lafayette. Referring to the Revolution of 1830, his ill health and afflicting calamity.

Monroe, James

2 pages, 4to. New York, Dec. 10, 1830. To General Lafayette. Introducing Mr. Bronson of New York, and referring to the proceedings in America on the news of the Revolution of 1830.

No. 28

Monroe, James

2 pages, 4to. New York, Dec. 31, 1830. To General Lafayette.

No. 29

Monroe, James

2 pages, 4to. New York, Dec. 31, 1830. To General Lafayette.

No. 30

MONROE, JAMES

2 pages, 4to. New York, Jan. 14, 1831. To General Lafayette.



Monticelle June 10.21.

I know, my dear forward. Head the hitle of american alone is a passport to your attentions and good offices. to inform you therefore the of them ment those kindnesses must be arrach of charity to you as of justice to them. on the beaver not Lawrence they will be worthish placed. He is a citizen of distinction of the state of New york, correct and entightened, and well qualified to just you into profession of the state of things in our confederacy. our political window are boisterous, but our summers calm. I suppose he will find it much. The case with you. I shall be your debtor, as well as himself for any kind attention you may show him; and I bear this lest more to his ment with the greater pleasure as it furnishes me now occasion I renewing to you the expressions of my constant and affectionale friends hip and respect.

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No. 31

FIVE AUTOGRAPH LETTERS FROM PRESIDENT JEFFERSON TO GENERAL LAFAYETTE

Dated between 1816 and 1821.

(See facsimile reproduction of one of these letters.)



No. 32

Jefferson, Thomas

1 page, 4to. Monticello, Mch. 8, 1819. To Lafayette. Interesting and affectionate letter; refers to Victor de Tracy and others.

No. 33

Jefferson, Thomas

3 pages, 4to. Monticello, Dec. 26, 1820. To Lafayette. ". . . Some fear our envelopment in the wars engendering from the unsettled state of our affairs with Spain. . . . Spain has held off until she sees they are lost to her and now thinks it better to get something than nothing for them. When she shall see South America equally desperate she will be wise to sell that also." Important and interesting letter.

No. 34

JEFFERSON, THOMAS

1 page, 4to. Monticello, Apr. 12, 1821. To Lafayette. Introducing Pennant, son of Dr. Benjamin S. Barton.

No. 35

JEFFERSON, THOMAS

1 page, 4to. Monticello, no date. To George Washington Lafayette. Cordial and hospitable letter of invitation.

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fi javois lu, Monsieur le Marquis, un momens a moi pauvois ete vous embrapar es vous faire touter mes felicitations. je divon vous les aduner en amerique, vous les trouveres loniques dans la lettre lijointe que porte la latte het en pos hoeggii nen pas partie faut. I'm arions. elle pour ronnor matiere a quelques reflexions esjaigrand besoin den faire aversous, Monrieux le marquis presais par merseilleuremann sontens de pays que vous quittes; je letrouvegen actif erties laigeans jevons price demegraceures le plus ton possible Loccasion de vous entretenis pai besoin de ver lunieres pour fixes mes is ses je me flatte gout jnservalle des mers n'a poins altere les sentimens donn vous maves grome

No. 36

AUTOGRAPH LETTER FROM M. DE VERGENNES,

Minister of Foreign Affairs under Louis XVI, to General Lafayette, Versailles. Dated January 23rd, 1782. (See facsimile reproduction.)

La fontinuation. Les miens pour vous nepeuvent avoir le terme que felui de mon lais anni. lese fur lette boje que pose le tendre enfinsere attachement avec le que l'ai lhonneur low.

Monsieur de Marquis, Potre tres humble au trus obeinans ferviter Mellennel 182.

Versailly le 23. janvier 1822.

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a Verysoel, ce 16. Juillet . 1780.

Jan recu hier an Sour, men muen, a 16 hours de Soir, la lettre du g. dout vous mares honor · lorsque toules mes troupes etorent deja del arquer seci, le Com de Ternay repond sustour Les articles que concernent la marine, Je m'ai a y ajoutes que l'apuran a que soit d'in, soit de New london, nour ferous un debarquemint as long-wand, conjointement and Let Troupes de notre General Washington, des quel Jugera you nows ferous to us en etal dopeter il me parison suivant votre progre lettre que ses forces me jeront rapemblees que vers le 15. d'aout. ceci faccorde parfactement avec le 1 eups de rafratchipement que nos mulades qui sout en grand nombre exigent apre 3. mois de sejour dans les vois caux. Pendant cet intervalle, nous juplious notre general de nour dounes un rendeavous a moitie chemin dici a son camp, ou l'amis of et mois nous nous rendrous, en une heure de couvers ation, nous conviendrous de plus de choses qu'avec des volumes decriture, une arnice de 15. mille houmes infrance dans Mew your exige des forces de l'ensemble et de la combin aison



No. 37

LETTER, PARTLY AUTOGRAPH, FROM THE COMTE DE ROCHAMBEAU TO GENERAL LAFAYETTE

Dated 16th July, 1780. (See fac-simile reproduction.)

dans Les moyens de l'attaquel. Nous persistous a croise que les 5. vuipeaux que nous avous combatter, aisotent menue route que nous et dois ent être arrives a Newyork a 2.04 3. jours pres en mesne temps que nous, que cest Walsingham, et que graves jus la nouvelle du depart des Es po que la rensa en ordre d'aller aux pa eve orbutnot qui etoir a De lett, de ley ends ones signes I hay a cette goque por laboline On vieny over gree any own interapte, er notte Combat a 60 livies au Sudoing og bemed, genulojuin. on vient de dive an el & de terray quin Colored - 3- Salam a prif en vaifan chage de bouf forfare patie Sime Convoy D_Broils venous Distante. il foir sortes Demain I fragate pour tocke on Kintscapty away sok, et 39 quil y on own un on orvanie, ille for Jeffortis now scores vol effet

London, Si haimist mideet by debayer alor wordens. he voy avoir donai traply to y moif tent milliet de poudor, et 15 millipassy au portonis pour chalger par la pregata Colliance a l'ovient, jag fair div y fois soy main et Salverment a paut jone du nonist so mettre soy note convoy. Junéa ay 19 entendre palst, on ma dir enil y avoir une querelle. De son equipage over la Commercian de france lessesses ja trappagne attent of at a allow de quare la 2. division. je voy embodes una chel morgans de municles de complement je voy prie. Le Che de Boch ambeau



Adams, John. A. L. S.

I page, 4to. Quincy, Oct. 3, 1815. To Lafayette. "Fellow Citizen of the United States and of the World." . . . "but the return of the piping time of Peace, with her train of Graces, Pleasures and fashions is precipitating us into more Luxury and greater Extravagance than ever." . . . "Your old Friend, now the Octogenarian, John Adams." A fine specimen.

No. 39

Adams, John Quincy. A. L. S.

1 page, 4to. Ghent, Sep. 14, 1814. To Lafayette. "Our country must now rekindle in defence of her rights with that ardor which you witnessed and shared in the days of our Revolution. If the spirit of genuine Liberty, and of youthful Heroism, which then sympathized with us in Europe is extinct, we must maintain our cause, self-supported, until the most selfish statesmen of the European continent shall discover that our cause is their own, and the most crafty shall join us to share with us the honour of a defence which we shall otherwise have exclusively to ourselves." Important and interesting example while Commissioner for the Treaty of Peace.

ADAMS, JOHN QUINCY. A. L. S.

1 page, 4to. Washington, Mch. 20, 1821. To Lafayette. Introducing "Dr. Charles Caldwell . . . of the Transylvania University; an institution, destined to spread the blessings of literature and science over Regions which have blossomed from the wilderness since you were in our country, but where, as in every quarter of this Union, your name is indissolubly linked with all the hopes of futurity, as with all the dearest recollections of the past."

No. 41

Adams, John Quincy. A. L. S.

2 pages, 4to. Washington, Oct. 16, 1824. To Lafayette. Transmitting two copies of the Declaration of Independence by resolution of Congress. Broken in the fold and stained.

No. 42

Adams, John Quincy. A. L. S.

1 page, 4to. Washington, July 21, 1827. To Lafayette. Introducing Thomas Baker Johnson, his brother-in-law.

No. 43

Adams, John Quincy. A. L. S.

1 page, 4to. Quincy, Sep. 6, 1828. To Lafayette. Interesting letter on French affairs.

Adams, John Quincy. A. L. S.

I page, 4to. Washington, Mch. 17, 1829. To Lafayette. Introducing Dr. Kirkland, of Cambridge University. . . . "relieved from the burden of public cares, and with nothing henceforth to devote to my country but my Patriotic Good Wishes and Prayers."

No. 45

Adams, John Quincy. A. L. S.

1 page, 4to. Quincy, Aug. 4, 1829. To Lafayette. Letter of appreciation for sympathy in a recent family affliction.

No. 46

Adams, John Quincy. A. L. S.

3 pages, 4to. Washington, Dec. 24, 1830. To Lafayette. . . . "the deep interest, which the friendship of half a century's standing between us, has added, on your personal account, to that new, splendid and solemn scene, which the transactions of the three memorable days in July, have opened upon France and upon the civilized world." Refers to Gen. Bernard and to personal matters of importance.

Adams, John Quincy. A. L. S.

1 page, 4to. Quincy, May 16, 1833. To Lafayette. Introducing Samuel S. and William H. Seward. . . . "you are so much and so constantly in presence of the civilized world, that we are never long without hearing your personal and social condition. . . . and as ever, occupied with concerns interesting to the Liberties of Mankind."

No. 48

FAREWELL LETTER FROM PRESIDENT JOHN QUINCY ADAMS TO LAFAYETTE

On the latter's leaving America for the last time, in 1825.

No. 49

JACKSON, ANDREW. L. S.

1 page, 4to. Hermitage, Apr. 4, 1839. To George Washington Lafayette. Thanking him for a collection of General Lafayette's manuscripts.

No. 50

Madison, James

3 pages, 4to. Washington, May 10, 1816. To Lafayette. Referring to Lafayette's interests in Louisiana, etc.

No. 51

Madison, James

4 pages, 4to. Montpellier, Nov. 25, 1820. To Lafayette. Interesting letter on the development of the country, the negro question, the possibility of Lafayette's visit, etc.

No. 52

Madison, James

2 pages, 4to. Montpellier, June 15, 1829. To Lafayette. . . . "It is equally strange and shameful, that England with her boasted freedom, instead of taking the lead in the glorious cause, should frown upon it, as she has done, and should aim, as she now does, to baffle the more generous policy of France in behalf of the Greeks." Interesting letter with five lines added in the hand of Dolly Madison.

No. 53

Madison, James

3 pages, 4to. Montpellier, Feb. 1, 1830. To Lafayette. Interesting letter on political and local matters.

CLAY, HENRY. A. L. S.

4 pages, 4to. Washington, Mch. 29, 1817. To Lafayette. ". . . England appears to be about to reap some of the fruits of her restless and ambitious interference in the Continental affairs. The distress of her people, and the fiscal embarrassments of her Government, events which might have been anticipated, . . . seem to leave her no alternative but new foreign wars, or domestic convulsion. There is one course . . . which she will not take . . . and that is . . . to attend to her own concerns, and leave others to take care of theirs."

No. 55

CLAY, HENRY. A. L. S.

2 pages, 4to. Washington, Dec. 13, 1825. To Lafayette. ". . . at Lagrange, in the bosom of your affectionate family and friends. There, you know, I want you to be, as your friend Washington was at Mount Vernon, when he left the Presidency, relieved from the bustling world, a calm spectator, rather than an active participator, of its numerous vexations and cares." Interesting references to contemporary events and personal matters.

No. 56

CLAY, HENRY. A. L. S., unsigned.

4 pages, 4to, unfinished. Washington, Aug. 10, 1827. To Lafayette.

CLAY, HENRY. A. L. S.

4 pages 4to. Washington, Jan. 1, 1828. To Lafayette. ".... I thank you most cordially for the testimony which you have borne in my behalf. A witness so beloved of the American people, and so disinterested, cannot fail to make a deep impression. And I think I may fairly say that your evidence will give the finishing stroke to a calumny which owes its origin and its propagation to the excitement of the period." Long and very interesting letter.

No. 58

CLAY, HENRY. A. L. S.

1 page, 4to. Ashland, Apr. 23, 1829. To Lafayette. Introducing Rene Trudeau.

No. 59

CLAY, HENRY. A. L. S.

1 page, 4to. Ashland, July 4, 1829. To Lafayette. Introducing Dr. A. G. Smith. ". . . I offer you the congratulations which belong to this memorable day."

CLAY, HENRY. A. L. S.

1 page, 4to. Ashland, Apr. 27, 1833. To Lafayette. ". . . An anodine was given by the last Congress to our fellow citizens of So. Carolina. It has quieted, for the present, all our domestic troubles in that quarter.

No. 61

Autograph Letter from Comte d'Estaing to Lafayette Dated March 11th, 1783.

No. 62

LAFAYETTE, A. L. S.

1 page, 4to. Draft of part of his letter of resignation from the National Guard. Of historic interest and importance.

No. 63

LAFAYETTE, A. D. S.

1 page, 4to. (1804.) Renewing promise of pension to Pierre Maury, who had lost the original.

No. 64

DE TRACEY, VICTOR

4 pages, 4to. Monticello, May 17th, 1816. Important and interesting letter in French, to Lafayette. Mentions Gallatin, speaks of his projected work on Political Economy, the difficulties of translation, printing, proof-reading, etc. Unsigned, but by Victor de Tracey.

No. 65

LAFAYETTE. A. L. S.

1 page, 4to. Paris, April 3rd.

No. 66 ·

LAFAYETTE. A. L. S.

1 page, 4to. Lagrange, Oct. 29, 1820. To Mr. Breton.

No. 67

LAFAYETTE. A. L. S.

1 page, 4to. Paris, June 18, 1824. To. Mr. Girod, refunding loan of ten thousand francs at the moment of his departure for the United States. With receipt signed by Barnet, the U. S. Consul, and acknowledgment of payment with interest, endorsed by Jean François Girod. A specially desirable and important item.

No. 68

LAFAYETTE. A. L. S.

1 page, 4to. Paris, Dec. 22, 1826. To Mr. Beauvais.

No. 69

LAFAYETTE. A. L. S.

1 page, 4to. Lagrange, Dec. 5, 1827. To Edmond Lafayette.

No. 70

LAFAYETTE. A. L. S.

1 page, 4to. August 25, 1827. To Mr. Remond.

No. 71

LAFAYETTE. A. L. S.

3 pages, 4to. Lagrange, Nov. 6, 1828. To his son, George Washington Lafayette. Interesting, confidential letter about domestic and family matters.

No. 72

LAFAYETTE. A. L. S.

2 pages, 4to. Lagrange, Dec. 14, 1828. To his son. Mentions Monroe, American visitors, including Mr. Sparks, the probable nomination of General Jackson, Edward Livingston, etc.

No. 73

LAFAYETTE. A. L. S.

3 pages, 4to. Paris, July 11, 1829. To his son. Long and interesting familiar letter about political and family affairs.

No. 74

LAFAYETTE. A. L. S.

3 pages, 4to. Lagrange, Sept. 15, 1829. To his son. The Jardin des Plantes has presented him with a doe of the same species as his Virginia deer.

LAFAYETTE, A. L. S.

1 page, 4to. Paris, Thursday. To his son. Mentions Gov. Barbour and Gen. Scott.

No. 76

LAFAYETTE. A. L. S.

2 pages, 4to. Lagrange, Jan. 11, 1829. To his daughter-in-law.

No. 77

LAFAYETTE. A. L. S.

2 pages, 4to. Paris, June 28, 1829. To his son. Blank margin and parts of a few words missing.

No. 78

LAFAYETTE. A. L. S.

3 pages, 4to. Lagrange, Oct. 14, 1829. To his son. Interesting, chatty letter.

No. 79

LAFAYETTE. A. L. S.

1 page, 4to. Lagrange, Dec. 1. To his son. Announcing an interesting family event.

LAFAYETTE. A. D. S.

1 page, 4to. Paris, Aug. 19, 1833. Guaranteeing payment of a note to Mr. Breton.

No. 81

LAFAYETTE. A. N. S.

Four lines. Lagrange, Oct. 17, 1833.

No. 82

LAFAYETTE. A. L. S.

1 page, 4to. Lagrange, Oct. 18, 1833. To Mlle. Grouvelle. Speaks of a singular letter from a stranger offering to liberate the prisoners of Mount St. Michael for two thousand francs.

No. 83

PLAN OF THE BATTLEFIELD OF GLOUCESTER (VIRGINIA CAMPAIGN)

This battle took place before Philadelphia, on the 25th of November, 1777, when the American troops were commanded by General Lafayette and the English troops were commanded by Lord Cornwallis, and the result of which engagement was that the latter was forced to abandon his positions. Congress immediately after this success resolved to place the Marquis de Lafayette in command of a division, and he then replaced Stephen in command of the troops in Virginia. This is a topographical drawing in water colour, signed "Major Capitaine, A. D. C. to General Lafayette."

PLAN OF THE RETREAT OF BARREN HILL, IN PENNSYLVANIA.

Where a detachment of 2,200 troops under the command of General Lafayette were surrounded by the English army, commanded by Generals Howe, Clinton, and Grant, on the 28th of May, 1778. At this engagement Lafayette succeeded in withdrawing his troops without the loss of a single man. Topographical drawing in water colour, signed "Major Capitaine, A. D. C. to General Lafayette."

No. 85

PLAN OF THE ENGAGEMENT AT MONMOUTH

In which General Washington commanded the American army, and General Clinton the English army, on the 28th June, 1778. Topographical drawing in water colour, signed "Major Capitaine, A. D. C. to General Lafayette."

No. 86

PLAN OF RHODE ISLAND

The different operations of the French and American fleets commanded by Major-General Sullivan are shown, as against the English forces, on land and sea, from the 9th of August to the 31st of the same month, 1778. Topographical drawing in water colour, signed "Major Capitaine, A. D. C. to General Lafayette."

No. 87

MAP OF THE POSITIONS OCCUPIED BY THE AMERI-CAN TROOPS ON THE 30TH AUGUST, 1778

After their retreat from Rhode Island. Congress particularly congratulated Lafayette, who had returned from Boston to command the rear guard. Topographical drawing in water colour, signed "Major Capitaine, A. D. C. to General Lafayette."

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